

# ATTENTION PIT BULL OWNERS

On November 22, 2004, the North Little Rock City Council passed ordinance # 7673 which banned the following breeds of dogs from being within the city limits of North Little Rock: American Pit Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers, American Bull Dogs, and any dog substantially conforming to these breeds. The council also banned any breed commonly referred to as **"Pit Bull"**.

If you own any of the above breeds of dogs or any dog that looks like any of the above breeds, you must do the following before **January 01, 2005** if you wish to keep it in North Little Rock:

- (1) YOU MUST HAVE THE DOG **SPAYED OR NEUTERED**.
- (2) YOU MUST HAVE THE DOG VACCINATED AGAINST RABIES BY A LICENSED VETERINARIAN.
- (3) YOU MUST OBTAIN A NLR CITY LICENSE FOR THE DOG.
- (4) YOU MUST BRING THE DOG TO THE NLR ANIMAL SHELTER TO BE REGISTERED AND ASSIGNED A CONTROL NUMBER.
- (5) THE DOG MUST BE TATTOOED WITH THE ASSIGNED NLR ANIMAL CONTROL NUMBER . THIS TATTOO MAY BE APPLIED BY YOUR VETERINARIAN OR BY ANIMAL CONTROL PERSONNEL.

If you comply with the above requirements your dog may stay in North Little Rock, however, **it must be confined in the following manner:**

- (1) INSIDE A SECURE BUILDING OR HOUSE, HOWEVER, SCREEN DOORS OR SCREEN WINDOWS MUST NOT BE THE ONLY BARRIER THAT PREVENTS THE DOG FROM ESCAPING.
- (2) IN A SECURE PEN OR FENCED AREA THAT IS LOCKED WITH A KEY LOCK OR COMBINATION LOCK.
- (3) IF THESE DOGS ARE ALLOWED TO WALK ON A LEASH, THE LEASH MUST BE NO LONGER THAN 6 (SIX) FEET IN LENGTH AND THE HANDLER MUST BE AT LEAST 21 (TWENTY ONE) YEARS OF AGE.

**"BEWARE OF DOG" SIGNS MUST BE POSTED ON THE PREMISES.**

**THESE DOGS MAY NOT BE CONFINED BY A CHAIN OR ROPE!**

**REMEMBER, YOU HAVE UNTIL JANUARY 01, 2005 TO MEET THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS OR MOVE YOUR DOG OUT OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK.**

If you need financial assistance to have your dog spayed or neutered, or if you have any other questions, please call the North Little Rock Animal Shelter at 791-8577. **You may qualify for our Low Cost Spay/neuter Program!**